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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Previously I was stuck choosing between two broadband providers who provided sub-par offerings and service at very expensive rates. They forced me to choose bundled offers for service I do not want or need. When I learned about a local provider that was offering Gigabit Fiber broadband at a much lower price I immediately jumped at the offer. Over the last two years I have had a great experience with my current provider Sonic. I have had 0 issues with the stability of the broadband service, interactions with customer service. The current service is far and beyond better than my previous cable broadband connection.

Competition drives innovation. Allowing companies like AT&T to block access to local providers limits choice and stifles competition. I hope you make the decision to continue with current regulations forcing telecom giants to grant access to local providers.

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